



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Zhao et al

Serial No: 10/781,562

Filed: February 18, 2004

For: *Hybrid Polymers and Methods of  
Making the Same*

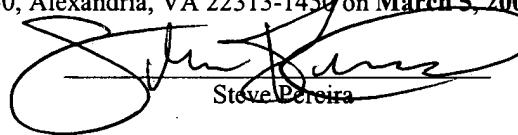
Art Unit:

Examiner:

Attorney Docket No. GPT-032.01

**CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 5, 2004.



Steve Pereira

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows: